

pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Albuquerque/Bernalillo County" (FRL-8788-8) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1155. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Revisions to the Nevada State Implementation Plan; Updated Statutory and Regulatory Provisions; Rescissions" (FRL-8767-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1156. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Variance Determination for Particulate Matter from a Specific Source in the State of New Jersey" (FRL-8775-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1157. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Captan, 2,4-D, Dodine, DCPA, Endothall, Fomesafen, Propyzamide, Ethofumesate, Permethrin, Dimethipin, and Fenarimol; Technical Amendment" (FRL-8407-2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1158. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oil Pollution Prevention; Non-Transportation Related Onshore Facilities; Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure Rule—Final Amendments" (RIN2050-AG16) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1159. A communication from the Attorney of the Office of Assistant General Counsel for Legislation and Regulatory Law, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Battery Chargers and External Power Supplies (Standby Mode and Off Mode)" (RIN1904-AB75) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 26, 2009; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1160. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Audit Technique Guide for Sections 48A and 48B; Advanced Coal and Gasification Project Credits" (LMSB-4-0209-005) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 30, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1161. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Announcement and Report Concerning Advance Pricing Agreements" (Announcement 2009-28) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 30, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1162. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the

report of a rule entitled "Election and Notice Procedures for Multiemployer Plans under Sections 204 and 205 of WRERA" (Notice 2009-31) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 30, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1163. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2009 Calendar Year Resident Population Estimates" (Notice 2009-21) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 30, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1164. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to current military, diplomatic, political, and economic measures that are being or have been undertaken to complete our mission in Iraq successfully; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1165. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools", received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 28, 2009; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1166. A communication from the Acting Senior Procurement Executive, Office of the Chief Acquisition Officer, General Services Administration, Department of Defense, and National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-32" (RIN9000-AL22) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 30, 2009; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1167. A communication from the Register of Copyrights, Library of Congress, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Analysis and Proposed Copyright Fee Adjustments to Go into Effect on or about August 1, 2009"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1168. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the amendments to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1169. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the amendments to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1170. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the amendments to the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1171. A communication from the Director of Regulations Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Posttraumatic Stress Disorder" (RIN2900-AN04) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 30, 2009; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

Special Report entitled "Report on the Activities of the Committee on the Judiciary of the United States Senate During the 110th Congress, Pursuant to Rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the United States Senate" (Rept. No. 111-11).

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations:

Special Report entitled "Legislative Activities Report" (Rept. No. 111-12).

By Mr. BAUCUS, from the Committee on Finance:

Special Report entitled "Report on the Activities of the Committee on Finance of the United States Senate During the 110th Congress, Pursuant to Rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the United States Senate" (Rept. No. 111-13).

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 9. A resolution commemorating 90 years of U.S.-Polish diplomatic relations, during which Poland has proven to be an exceptionally strong partner to the United States in advancing freedom around the world.

S. Res. 20. A resolution celebrating the 60th anniversary of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

S. Res. 56. A resolution urging the Government of Moldova to ensure a fair and democratic election process for the parliamentary elections on April 5, 2009.

S. Res. 90. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the Fifth Summit of the Americas, held in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, April 17, 18, and 19, 2009.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. BINGAMAN for the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Thomas L. Strickland, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife.

By Mr. KERRY for the Committee on Foreign Relations.

\*Timothy F. Geithner, of New York, to be United States Governor of the International Monetary Fund for a term of five years; United States Governor of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for a term of five years; United States Governor of the Inter-American Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Governor of the African Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Governor of the Asian Development Bank; United States Governor of the African Development Fund; United States Governor of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

\*Richard Rahul Verma, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs).

\*Esther Brimmer, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (International Organization Affairs).

\*Philip H. Gordon, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (European and Eurasian Affairs).

\*Rose Eilene Gottemoeller, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Verification and Compliance).

\*Karl Winfrid Eikenberry, of Florida, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan.

Nominee: Karl Winfrid Eikenberry.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I

have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Karl W. Eikenberry, None.
2. Ching Y. Eikenberry, None.
3. Children and Spouses: Jennifer Yu (Daughter), None; Lawrence D. G. Tang, None; Kelly Yu (Daughter), None; Will Fikry, None.
4. Parents: Harry Eikenberry, Deceased; Mary Eikenberry, None.
5. Grandparents: William Eikenberry, Deceased; Frieda Eikenberry, Deceased; Edward L. Aul, Deceased; Esther P. Aul, Deceased.
6. Brothers and Spouses: N/A, None.
7. Sisters and Spouses: Karen Glaubiger, None; George Glaubiger, \$250, 30 Jan. 08, Elizabeth Dole Committee Inc.; \$500, 21 Oct. 08, Elizabeth Dole Committee Inc.

\*Christopher R. Hill, of Rhode Island, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Iraq.

Nominee: Christopher R. Hill.

Post: Ambassador, Republic of Iraq.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

Self: N/A.

Spouse: Patricia Whitelaw-Hill: \$50, 2008 Obama Presidential Campaign.

Children and Spouses: Nathaniel Hill: N/A; Amelia Hill: N/A; Clara Hill: \$25, 2008 Obama Presidential Campaign.

Parents: Deceased.

Grandparents: Deceased.

Brothers and Spouses: Jonathan Hill: N/A; Nicholas Hill: N/A.

Sisters and Spouses: Elizabeth Hill: N/A; Prudence Hill: N/A.

\*Melanne Vermeer, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador at Large for Women's Global Issues.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Nominee: Melanne Vermeer

Post: Ambassador-at-large.

Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: see addendum.

2. Spouse: see addendum.

3. Children and Spouses: see addendum.

4. Parents: Walter and Mary Starinshak—(deceased)

5. Grandparents: Melanne & Steven Nideroski—(deceased).

6. Brothers and Spouses: Tom Starinshak—(no contributions).

7. Sisters and Spouses: N/A.

1. Self: September 30, 2008—\$1000—Barack Obama; October 13, 2008—800—Barack Obama; July 31, 2008—\$1000—Barack Obama; January 29, 2007—\$4600—Hillary Clinton; March 2, 2005—\$1020—Hillary Clinton; June 17, 2005—\$1000—Hillary Clinton; September 19, 2005—\$950—Hillary Clinton; September 30, 2006—\$250—Judith Feder; September 25, 2007—\$250—Judith Feder; October 23, 2008—\$250—Judith Feder; June 23, 2006—\$250—Donna Edwards; August 10, 2006—\$250—Donna Edwards.

2. Spouse—Philip Vermeer: July 31, 2008—\$2300—Barack Obama; September 19, 2008—

\$500—Barack Obama; January 24, 2007—\$4600—Hillary Clinton; March 2, 2005—\$950—Hillary Clinton; September 27, 2005—\$2000—Bob Casey; May 24, 2006—\$1000—Russ Feingold; August 8, 2008—\$1000—Russ Feingold; June 15, 2005—\$250—Bill Nelson; September 30, 2005—\$250—Bill Nelson; February 16, 2006—\$1000—Bill Nelson; October 12, 2006—\$500—Ben Cardin; September 25, 2007—\$1000—Al Frankin; September 21, 2008—\$500—Al Frankin; March 11, 2008—\$500—Al Frankin; June 11, 2008—\$250—Al Frankin; May 8, 2008—\$500—Mark Warner; May 30, 2008—\$1000—Leonard Boswell; October 15, 2008—\$250—Jeanne Shaheen; November 8, 2007—\$500—Jeanne Shaheen; March 14, 2005—\$500—Maria Cantwell; February 16, 2005—\$1000—Doris Matsui; July 22, 2008—\$500—Doris Matsui; October 27, 2005—\$1000—Jamie Wall; July 11, 2006—\$250—Jamie Wall; March 29, 2006—\$250—Jamie Wall; December 26, 2007—\$1000—Tom Udall; May 30, 2008—\$500—Tom Udall; September 17, 2007—\$250—Tom Udall; June 16, 2008—\$500—Mark Udall; September 27, 2007—\$1000—Mark Udall; October 11, 2006—\$250—Jon Tester; September 28, 2006—\$500—Jon Tester; May 28, 2007—\$250—Chris Carney; October 19, 2006—\$250—Chris Carney; October 13, 2008—\$250—Kay Hagan; October 29, 2008—\$250—James Martin; October 11, 2006—\$250—Harold Ford; October 11, 2006—\$250—Claire McCaskill; October 11, 2006—\$250—James Webb; October 11, 2006—\$250—Sheldon Whitehouse; October 11, 2006—\$250—Tammy Duckworth; September 19, 2006—\$1000—John Dingell; February 15, 2005—\$500—John Dingell; September 5, 2006—\$1000—Sherrod Brown; December 6, 2005—\$250—Sherrod Brown; September 26, 2005—\$1000—Ed Markey; April 20, 2005—\$500—Ed Markey; June 13, 2008—\$1000—Ed Markey; April 24, 2007—\$500—Jay Rockefeller; October 10, 2007—\$500—Frank Lautenberg; September 22, 2006—\$500—DSCC July 11, 2007—\$500—Chris Van Hollen; June 1, 2007—\$250—Carl Levin; March 30, 2007—\$2000—DNC Service Corp; March 1, 2006—\$250—Patricia Madrid; September 26, 2007—\$250—Joe Sestak; March 26, 2006—\$250—Paul Aronsohn; October 6, 2005—\$250—Paul Aronsohn; August 27, 2006—\$250—Paul Aronsohn; March 11, 2006—\$250—Lois Herr; June 30, 2007—\$250—Victoria Wulsin; September 21, 2008—\$250—Victoria Wulsin; November 9, 2006—\$500—Progressive Fund; September 20, 2007—\$250—Kirsten Gillibrand; October 13, 2008—\$250—Jeff Merkley.

3. Child—Elaina Vermeer: February 11, 2008—\$500—Hillary Clinton; March 15, 2008—20.08—Hillary Clinton; March 30, 2008—\$25—Hillary Clinton; April 10, 2008—\$50—Hillary Clinton; April 20, 2008—\$25—Hillary Clinton; April 22, 2008—\$100—Hillary Clinton; May 1, 2008—\$250—Hillary Clinton; May 6, 2008—\$25—Hillary Clinton; May 21, 2008—\$25—Hillary Clinton; August 27, 2008—\$50—Hillary Clinton;

Child—Alexandra Vermeer: June 21, 2007—\$1000—Hillary Clinton; September 29, 2007—\$1300—Hillary Clinton; October 21, 2007—\$500—Frank Lautenberg; October 30, 2006—\$500—DCCC; June 29, 2008—\$500—Ed Markey. Son-in-law—Dominic Bianchi: September 5, 2008—\$2300—Barack Obama; November 1, 2008—\$300—Obama Victory Fund; March 20, 2007—\$1000—Hillary Clinton; December 9, 2007—\$1300—Hillary Clinton.

Child—Michael Vermeer: March 4, 2007—\$54—Russ Feingold; November 27, 2007—\$80—Hillary Clinton; September 11, 2007—\$2300—Hillary Clinton.

Additional political contributions of Philip L. Vermeer:

Kirsten Gillibrand: \$200, 10/17/06.

Heath Shuler: \$200, 10/16/06.

Act Blue: \$100, 10/11/06.

Act Blue: \$100, 10/11/06.

Act Blue: \$100, 10/11/06.

Act Blue: \$200, 10/11/06.

Act Blue: \$110, 10/21/06.

Jack Evans: \$100, 8/6/08.

Carol Schwartz: \$100, 8/5/08.

Beau Biden: \$250, 9/17/06.

Deval Patrick: \$250, 10/24/06.

Diane Denish: \$500, 12/23/07.

Bernard Parks: \$500, 3/26/08.

Bernard Parks: \$100, 10/28/08.

Russ Feingold: \$1,000, 2/25/09.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. 744. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from an employee's gross income any employer-provided supplemental instructional services assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HATCH:

S. 745. A bill to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Magna Water District water reuse and groundwater recharge project, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself and Mr. JOHANNIS):

S. 746. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery in the Sarpy County region to serve veterans in eastern Nebraska, western Iowa, and northwest Missouri; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 747. A bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to authorize travel and transportation allowances for members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces on leave for suspension of training; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 748. A bill to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2777 Logan Avenue in San Diego, California, as the "Cesar E. Chavez Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. COCHRAN (for himself, Mr. DODD, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 749. A bill to improve and expand geographic literacy among kindergarten through grade 12 students in the United States by improving professional development programs for kindergarten through grade 12 teachers offered through institutions of higher education; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 750. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to attract and retain trained health care professionals and direct care workers dedicated to providing quality care to the growing population of older Americans; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. SPECTER):